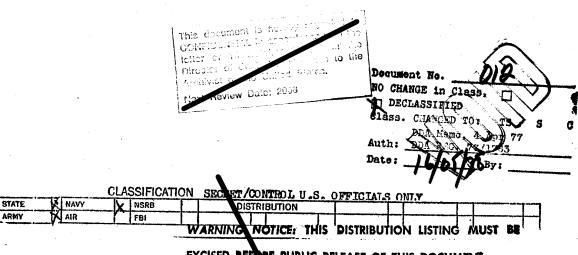
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- in order o determine the causes of the failure and to bring the guilty leaders to trial.
- 3. The Central Committee of the Lebanese CP met under the chairmanship of Khalid Bighdash, head of the Syrian CP, and after studying the situation it was deided to open an investigation in accordance with the Cominform's



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